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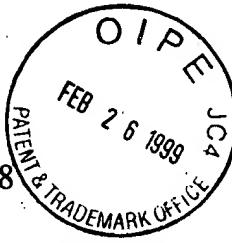
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98,

Applicant hereby calls the following document to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,656,802, to AOKI, issued on August 12, 1997.

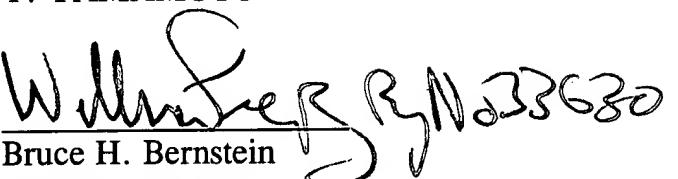
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite this document.

A copy of the above-noted patent is attached and has been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate space on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of this document.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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